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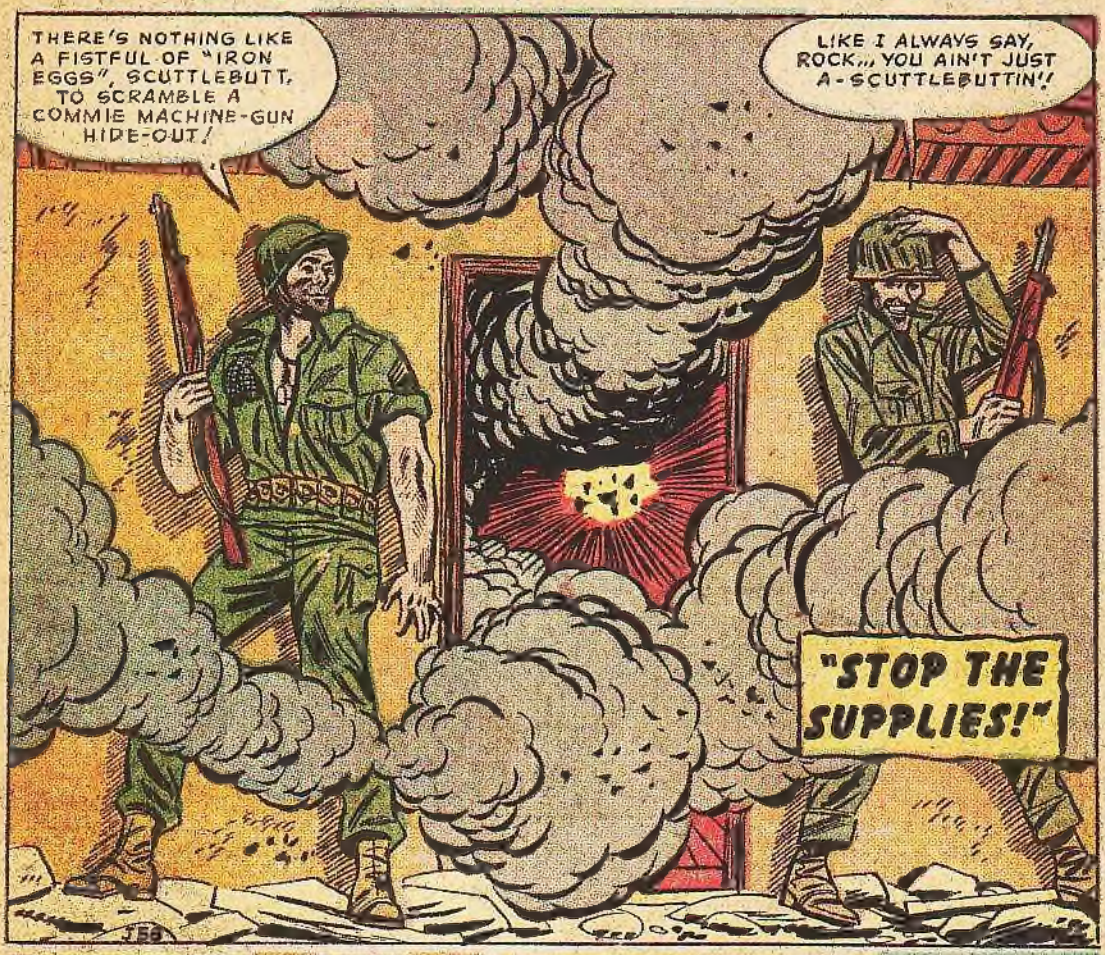
MARINES IN ACTION ON KOREAN BATTLEFIELDS WITH

"ROCK" MURDOCK

THE FIGHTING GYRENE!!



DO A DEEP SIX ON THE HUBBA-HUBBA, SCUTTLEBUTT!
AYE!

KEEP YOUR PEEPERS PEELED, SCUTTLEBUTT! THERE MUST BE MORE OF THEM AROUND!

YEAH... BUT WHERE ARE THEY...
OOOPS!

HA! YANKEE PRISONER HAS FALLEN INTO OUR TRAP! NOW WE HAVE SOMETHING TO BARGAIN WITH!
THAT'S NOT ALL YOU'VE GOT, COMMIES!

A GRENADE! LEAVE THE PRISONER! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

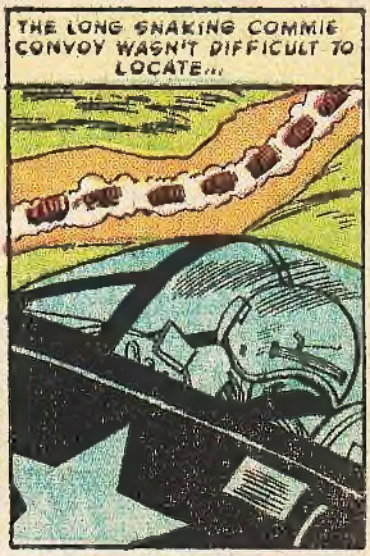
THAT'S IT... LINE UP AGAINST THE WALL!
BUT THE GRENADE YOU DROPPED DOWN THERE... WHY DOESN'T IT GO OFF?

'CAUSE IT'S "GERTRUDE, THE GOOFY GRENADE"... MADE BY MY PAL ROCK FOR SITUATIONS JUST LIKE THIS! IT SMOKES AND SPUTTERS... BUT THAT'S ALL... 'CAUSE IT'S EMPTY INSIDE!

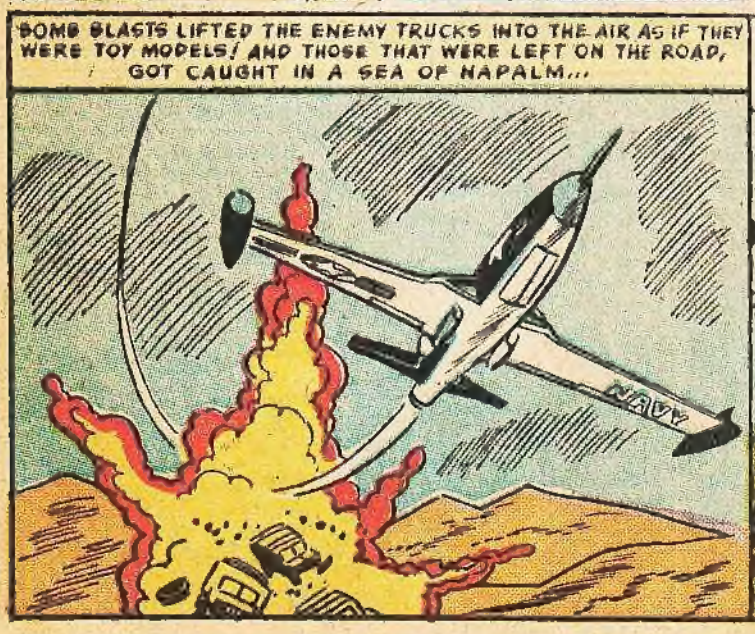
WE CLEANED OUT THAT COMMIE M.G. HOT-HOUSE, CAP'N! WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
WE STAY HERE UNTIL OUR JETS CLOBBER THE RED TRUCK CONVOYS HIGH-BALLING TO THIS SECTOR WITH MEN AND SUPPLIES!

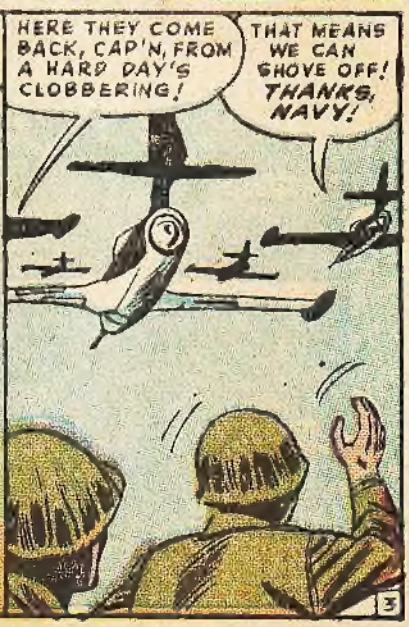
IF THE JETS DON'T STOP THE REINFORCEMENTS IN TIME, WE'LL BE OUTNUMBERED, HUH, CAP'N?
THAT'S RIGHT, ROCK!

TWENTY MINUTES LATER, A SKY-FUL OF U.S. NAVY COUGARS CAME THRU THE HEAVENS OVERHEAD...
YA-HOO! GO GET 'EM, CATS!
YEAH! CLOBBER THE COMMIES, SKY SAILORS!


THE LONG SNAKING COMMIE CONVOY WASN'T DIFFICULT TO LOCATE...

THE COUGARS DROPPED THEIR NOSES AND FOLLOWED THEM DOWN TOWARD THE TARGET...


BOMB BLASTS LIFTED THE ENEMY TRUCKS INTO THE AIR AS IF THEY WERE TOY MODELS! AND THOSE THAT WERE LEFT ON THE ROAD, GOT CAUGHT IN A SEA OF NAPALM...
NAVY

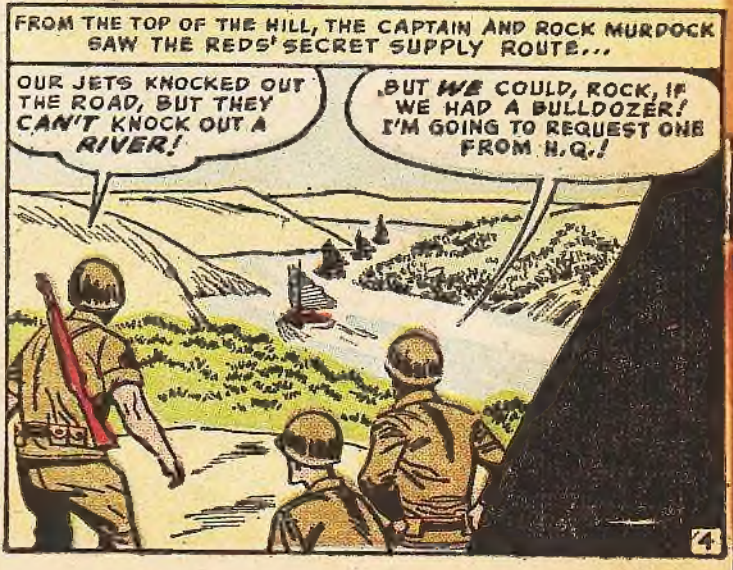

HERE THEY COME BACK, CAP'N, FROM A HARD DAY'S CLOBBERING!
THAT MEANS WE CAN SHOVE OFF! THANKS, NAVY!

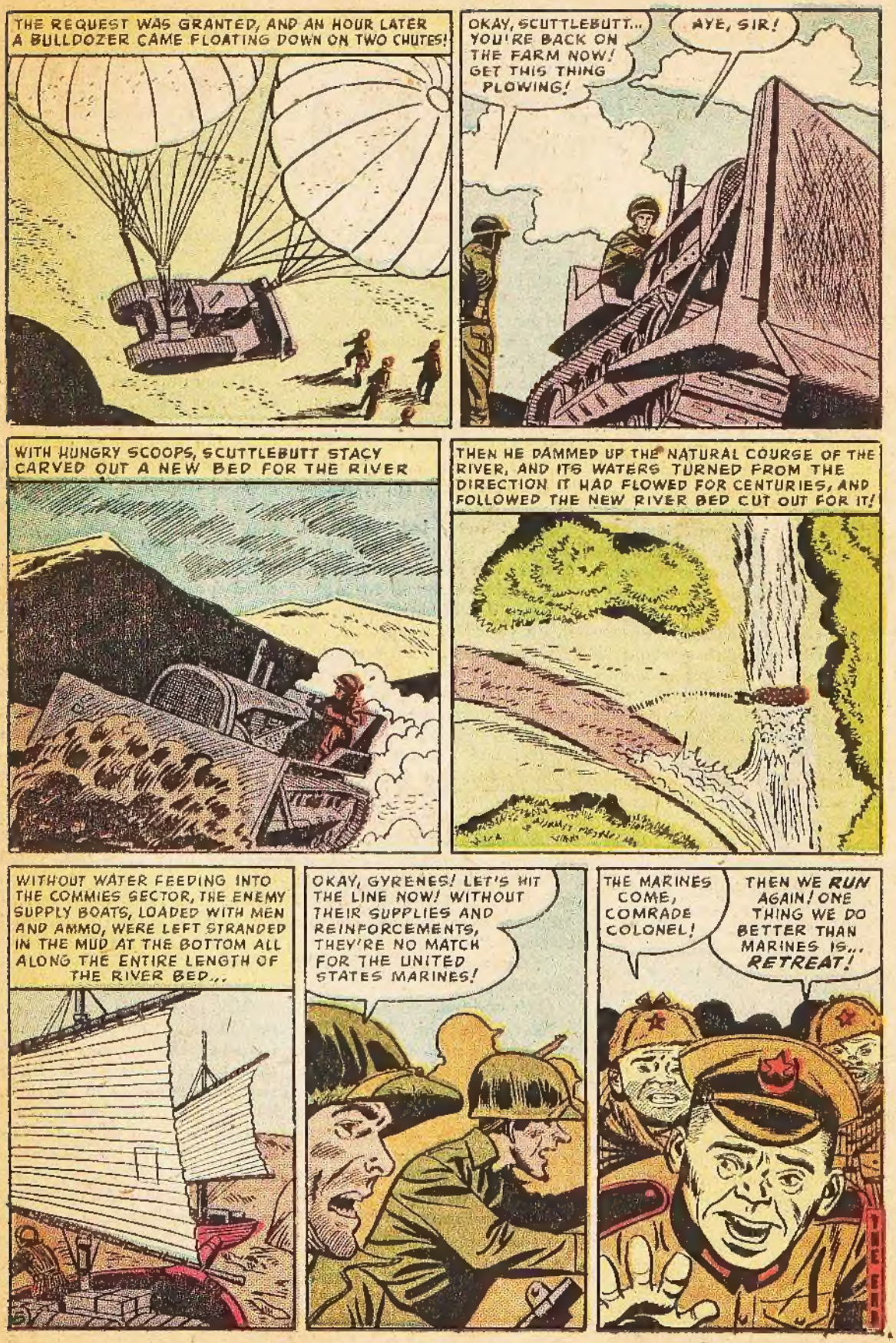
FOX COMPANY OF THE U.S. MARINES MOVED TOWARD ENEMY TERRITORY! A RED OBSERVER SPOTTED THE LIVING WALL OF GREEN AND REPORTED IT...

COMMIE ARTILLERY BOOMED AND INCOMING SHELLS BLOSSOMED IN FRONT OF THE ADVANCING MARINES...

FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES THE SHELLS RAINED...THEN THE BIG GUNS WERE MUFFLED! AND ACROSS THE BATTLEFIELD MOVED A QUILTED FLOOD OF HOWLING RED INFANTRY...

FROM THE TOP OF THE HILL, THE CAPTAIN AND ROCK MURDOCK SAW THE REDS' SECRET SUPPLY ROUTE...




THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED, AND AN HOUR LATER A BULLDOZER CAME FLOATING DOWN ON TWO CHUTES!
OKAY, SCUTTLEBUTT... YOU'RE BACK ON THE FARM NOW! GET THIS THING PLOWING!
AYE, SIR!
WITH HUNGRY SCOOPS, SCUTTLEBUTT STACY CARVED OUT A NEW BED FOR THE RIVER
THEN HE DAMMED UP THE NATURAL COURSE OF THE RIVER, AND ITS WATERS TURNED FROM THE DIRECTION IT HAD FLOWED FOR CENTURIES, AND FOLLOWED THE NEW RIVER BED CUT OUT FOR IT!
WITHOUT WATER FEEDING INTO THE COMMIES SECTOR, THE ENEMY SUPPLY BOATS, LOADED WITH MEN AND AMMO, WERE LEFT STRANDED IN THE MUD AT THE BOTTOM ALL ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE RIVER BED...
OKAY, GYRENES! LET'S HIT THE LINE NOW! WITHOUT THEIR SUPPLIES AND REINFORCEMENTS, THEY'RE NO MATCH FOR THE UNITED STATES MARINES!
THE MARINES COME, COMRADE COLONEL!
THEN WE RUN AGAIN! ONE THING WE DO BETTER THAN MARINES IS... RETREAT!
THE END

THE HILL

ON the road up from the seaport the signs of war were visible on all hands. Artillery had torn up a good many of the planted fields and dug holes filled with the violent downpours that characterized the area as little else did. But the rainy season was gone, now, and good battle weather prevailed.

Along the road passed guns, all the breeds of field guns there were. For over forty years war had not come to the army that owned the guns. Some, far across the world, had said the owners of the guns couldn't fight. Some said they were soft. Only the owners of the guns knew they weren't soft. In peace they were men; they would be men in war, too, for now they were defending more than themselves. They were defending a people who had called for help.

But even in their own ranks were men who thought the war futile.

They rode along with the main body, scattered here and there throughout its ranks. There are men like these in all wars; some are cowards, some are brave but born scoffers.

The lieutenant was a born scoffer.

He was a first lieutenant and he believed in the aims of the war that had been begun. In the saddle, he rode along quietly, a little grimly, staring at the desolation the enemy had wrought. Here and there a farmer had stayed with his land and could be seen amidst the wreckage of fields and small farmhouse, tilling some undamaged patch to bring in the next crop. The lieutenant believed that the farmer was worthy of being liberated, but he thought that only men of his own kind could do it.

"You don't think we'll make it, Dick?"

The voice came from his left side, from a second lieutenant riding beside him. The second lieutenant was a cheerier sort, and his first name was Jim.

The first lieutenant stared up in surprise.

"Look here, lad," he said. "Don't go reading minds. In a country like this they might put you in the calaboose for it!"

"You don't think we'll make it, do you?" Jim repeated.

Dick smiled, a little sourly.

"Frankly, I don't," he said. "I'm an ordinary guy. I don't mind fighting when I know what I'm fighting for . . . and in this war I know what I'm fighting for. But I don't want to fight under a fake!"

Jim lowered his voice.

"A fake?" he asked, a little shocked.

"Well, what else would you call him?" Dick asked. "He's grandstanding, playing to the bleachers."

"You mean the Colonel?" Jim asked.

Dick nodded.

"Sure," he said. "He's a bigwig, and he probably knows he doesn't have to face the same kind of danger we do."

"But the Colonel organized the outfit!" Jim protested. "We wouldn't even exist as an organized unit if he hadn't resigned one of the biggest jobs in the government to lead us!"

"That's just what I mean," Dick said, nodding his head wisely. "He knows they won't want him to put himself in danger, so he'll always have an excuse for keeping out of it. If you want my opinion he just likes to wear a fancy uniform."

"Fancy uniform!" Jim grunted. "Not these, and not his, either. I'll grant you he's been busy, but that's been only because he's been organizing." He glanced around warily. "I heard we're heading into something big."

"Like what?"

"An attack on an enemy fortified position, something almost as tough as the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava!"

They were getting into thick forest, now, with new-cut roads branching out from well-marked intersections. Up ahead and to both sides, sounded, distantly, the crack of rifle fire. The enemy, in slow, dogged retreat had infiltrated the advancing lines and, to some extent had adopted guerilla tactics. From time to time sounded the boom of big guns many miles off.

Suddenly, along the mounted ranks ran a ripple of excitement.

"The Colonel!" Jim said.

Dick turned his head almost negligently. Down from the head of the column rode a thick-set mounted man with a sword swinging from his belt. The column rounded, drew up and paused. An adjutant blew a bugle and the whole line came to attention.

The Colonel rode up to the center, and glanced at his watch.

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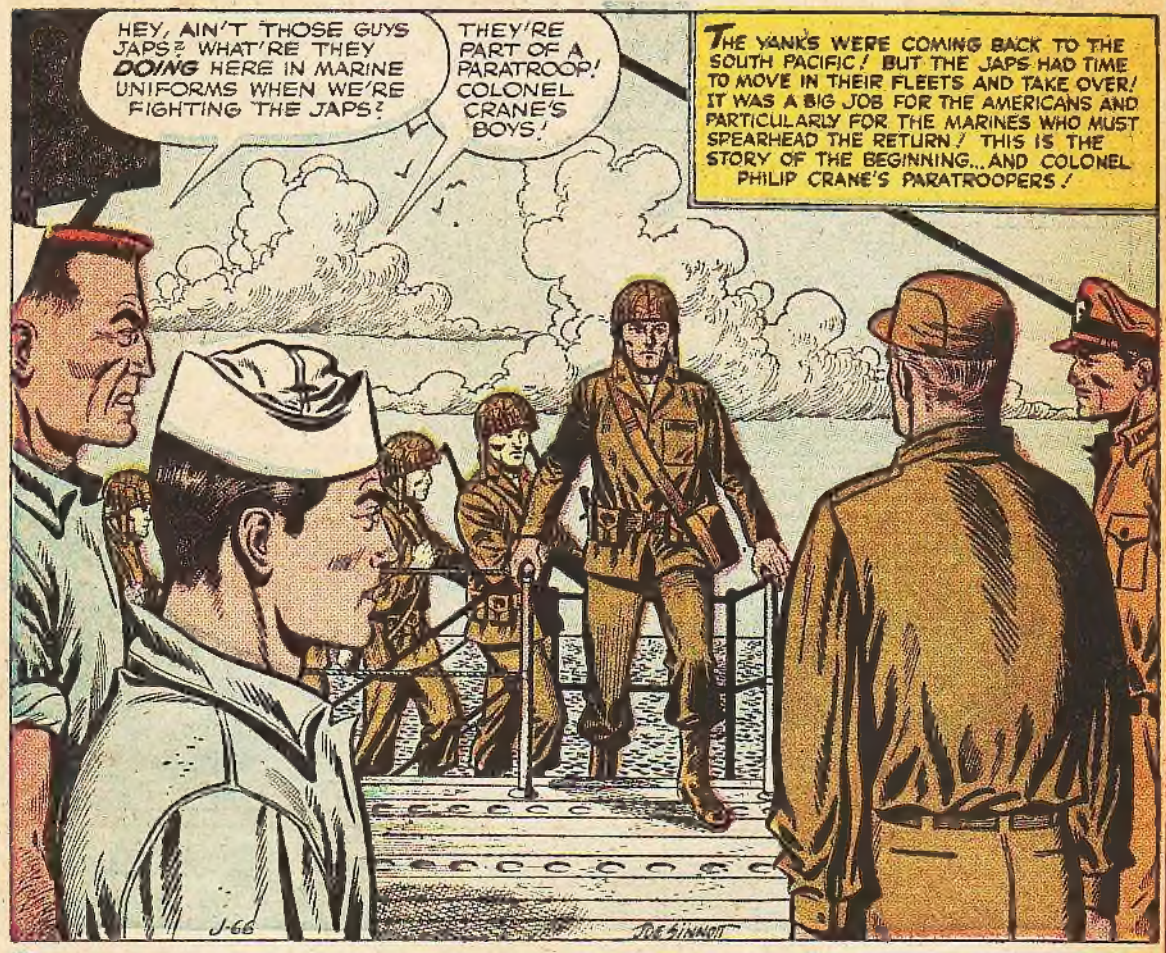
HEY, AIN'T THOSE GUYS JAPS? WHAT'RE THEY DOING HERE IN MARINE UNIFORMS WHEN WE'RE FIGHTING THE JAPS?
THEY'RE PART OF A PARATROOP! COLONEL CRANE'S BOYS!
THE YANKS WERE COMING BACK TO THE SOUTH PACIFIC! BUT THE JAPS HAD TIME TO MOVE IN THEIR FLEETS AND TAKE OVER! IT WAS A BIG JOB FOR THE AMERICANS AND PARTICULARLY FOR THE MARINES WHO MUST SPEARHEAD THE RETURN! THIS IS THE STORY OF THE BEGINNING...AND COLONEL PHILIP CRANE'S PARATROOPERS!
J-66
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COLONEL PHILIP CRANE REPORTING FOR DUTY, SIR!
I'LL HAVE YOU TAKEN TO THE FLAGSHIP, COLONEL! THEY'RE WAITING FOR YOU!
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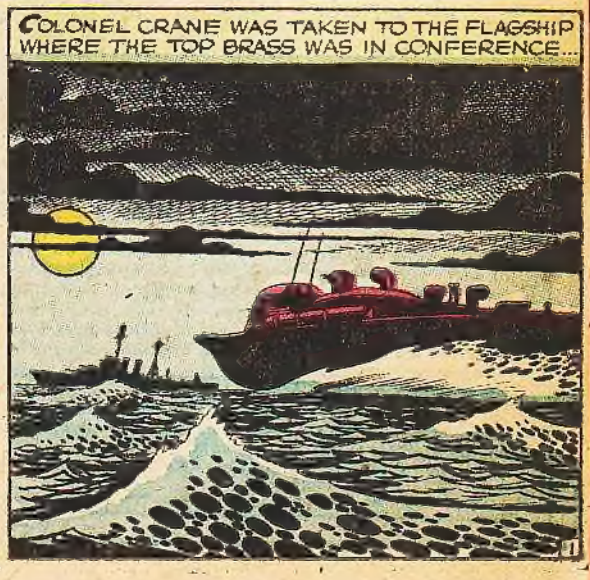
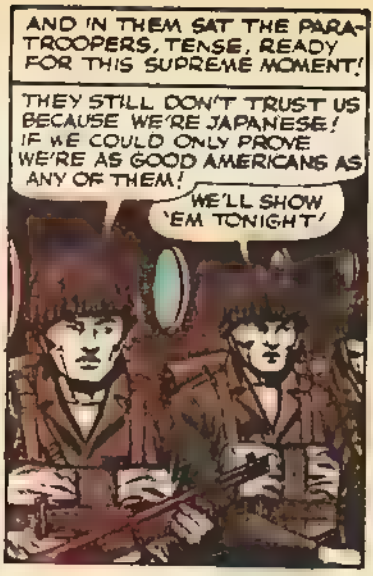

COLONEL CRANE WAS TAKEN TO THE FLAGSHIP WHERE THE TOP BRASS WAS IN CONFERENCE...

LATER, HE WAS IN THE MIDST OF THE
THE JAP FLEET IS OFF THIS ISLAND
THE DESTROYER ESCORT
JAP FLEET, SHOULD THEY COME AT THE TROOPSHIPS!
THOSE MEN
GENTLEMEN!
IF THE ISLAND COULD BE
COULDN'T
WORD TO THE JAP FLEET
ISLAND, WITH THAT ENEMY FLEET SURROUNDING IT?
FROM THE SKY BY NIGHT,
S! AND WE'VE NEVER FULLY TESTED THE VALUE OF
JAPS IN YOUR OUTFIT, HAVEN'T YOU, COLONEL?
AMERICANS AS YOU AND I! MY
THERE WAS MUCH DISCUSSION! FINALLY...
REMEMBER, COLONEL...YOU'LL BE CUT OFF FROM EVERYTHING, AND ONCE THE JAP FLEET REALIZES THE ISLAND HAS BEEN TAKEN, THEY'LL BOMBARD IT WITHOUT LETUP!
I UNDERSTAND THAT, SIR!
COLONEL, I'LL ATTEMPT TO GET A SUB THROUGH TO PICK YOU UP!
YOU'LL HAVE TO LET US KNOW

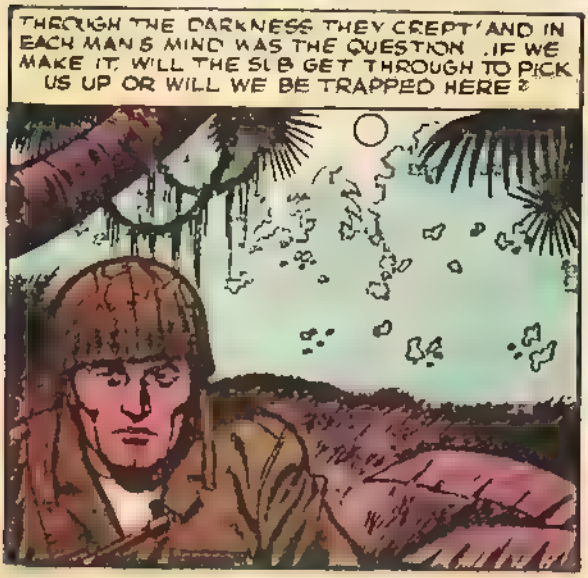
AT NIGHT, THE PLANES ROSE FROM THE FLIGHT DECK...


AND IN THEM SAT THE PARA-TROOPERS, TENSE, READY FOR THIS SUPREME MOMENT!
THEY STILL DON'T TRUST US BECAUSE WE'RE JAPANESE! IF WE COULD ONLY PROVE WE'RE AS GOOD AMERICANS AS ANY OF THEM!
WE'LL SHOW 'EM TONIGHT!

IT WAS A DARK NIGHT! THE PLANES CAME IN HIGH OVER THE ISLAND...
NEXT!

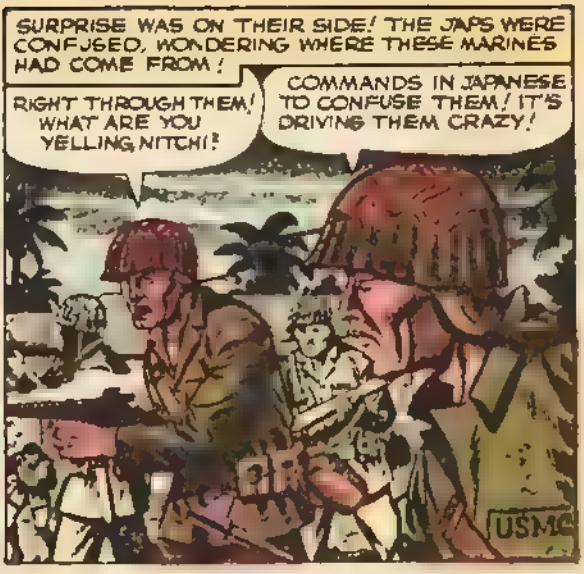
THE AIR WAS FILLED WITH THEM AS THEY SILENTLY FLOATED DOWN!

ONCE DOWN, THEY CONCENTRATED, REACHING A PREVIOUSLY DECIDED UPON RENDEZVOUS!
ARE WE ALL HERE? GOOD! NITCHI, YOU AND YOUR MEN IN ADVANCE! TAKE OUT THE GUARDS! IF THEY HEAR YOU, SPEAK TO THEM IN THEIR OWN TONGUE!
RIGHT, CAPTAIN!


THROUGH THE DARKNESS THEY CREPT! AND IN EACH MAN'S MIND WAS THE QUESTION: IF WE MAKE IT, WILL THE SUB GET THROUGH TO PICK US UP OR WILL WE BE TRAPPED HERE?

THEY'VE SPOTTED US! ALL RIGHT, MEN, LET'S GO!

BRAT-TAT-TAT TAT
BAM!

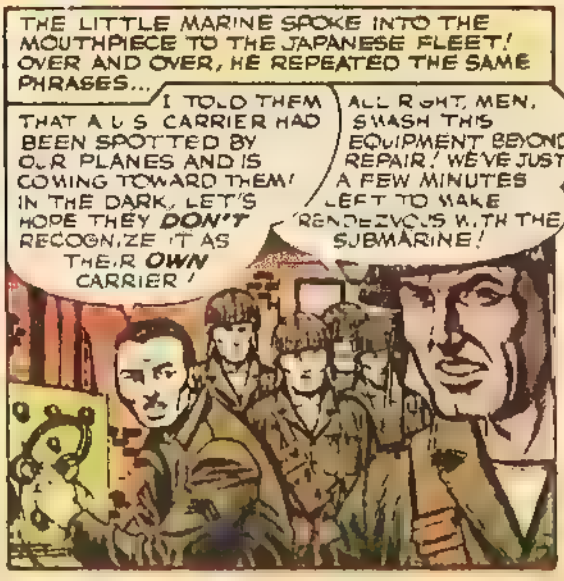

SURPRISE WAS ON THEIR SIDE! THE JAPS WERE CONFUSED, WONDERING WHERE THESE MARINES HAD COME FROM!
RIGHT THROUGH THEM! WHAT ARE YOU YELLING, NITCHI?
COMMANDS IN JAPANESE TO CONFUSE THEM! IT'S DRIVING THEM CRAZY!
USMC

IN, QUICK! MAYBE THE OPERATORS HAVEN'T GOTTEN OFF A MESSAGE TO THEIR FLEET YET!

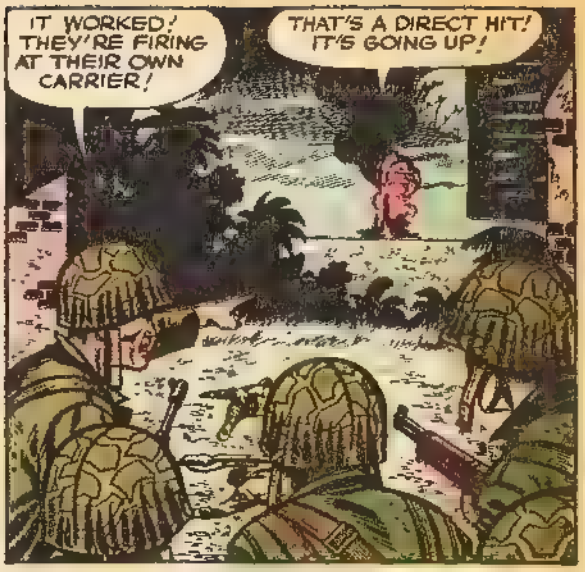
KEEP THEM AWAY FROM THE RADIOS!

THEIR PLANES SPOTTED OUR FLEET, SIR! THEY'VE GONE BACK TO THEIR CARRIER! BUT I DON'T THINK THEY'VE RELAYED THE MESSAGE FROM HERE TO THE FLAGSHIP!
BUT THEY'LL KNOW ON THE CARRIER AND GET THE NEWS TO THE REST OF THE FLEET PRETTY QUICK!

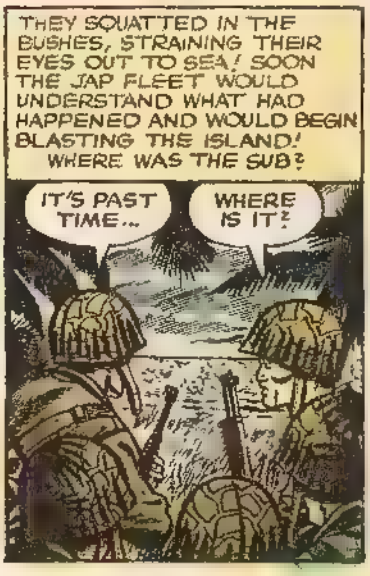
I'VE GOT AN IDEA, COLONEL! I'LL BROADCAST TO THEM IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE!


THE LITTLE MARINE SPOKE INTO THE MOUTHPIECE TO THE JAPANESE FLEET! OVER AND OVER, HE REPEATED THE SAME PHRASES...
I TOLD THEM THAT A U.S. CARRIER HAD BEEN SPOTTED BY OUR PLANES AND IS COMING TOWARD THEM! IN THE DARK, LET'S HOPE THEY DON'T RECOGNIZE IT AS THEIR OWN CARRIER!
ALL RIGHT, MEN, SMASH THIS EQUIPMENT BEYOND REPAIR! WE'VE JUST A FEW MINUTES LEFT TO MAKE RENDEZVOUS WITH THE SUBMARINE!

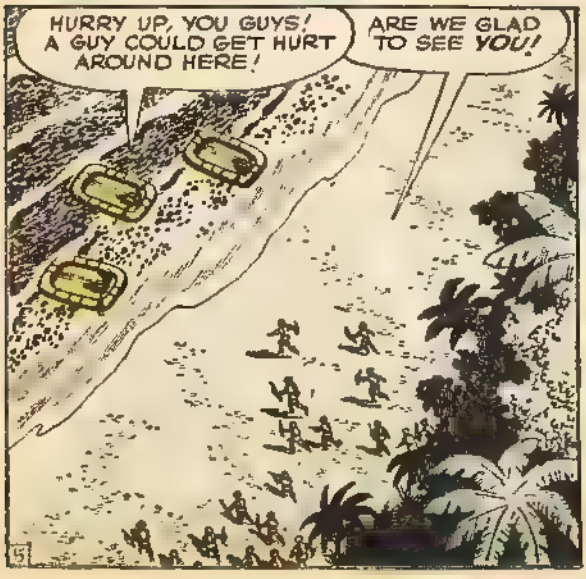
MAKE SURE THERE ISN'T A PIECE LEFT THAT CAN BE REPAIRED!
LISTEN! THOSE ARE BIG NAVAL GUNS!

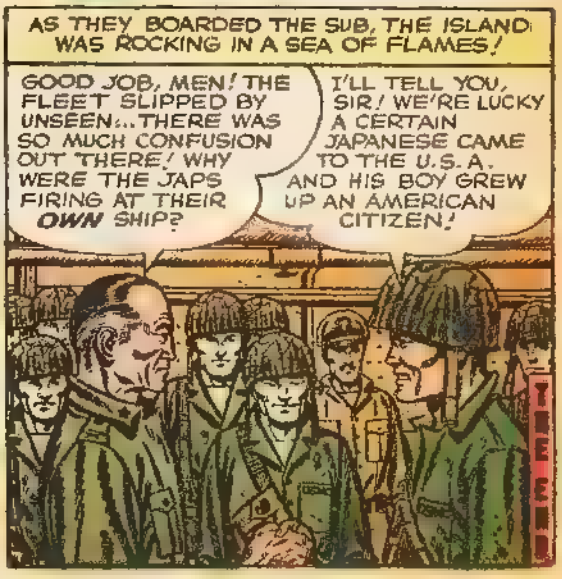

IT WORKED! THEY'RE FIRING AT THEIR OWN CARRIER!
THAT'S A DIRECT HIT! IT'S GOING UP!

THEY RACED AWAY DOWN TOWARD THE SHORE, WHERE THE SUB WOULD RISE . MAYBE! OUT IN THE WATER, THE BIG JAP CARRIER SANK UNDER THE GUNS OF ITS OWN SISTER SHIPS!
SNIPER! GOT HIM!


THEY SQUATTED IN THE BUSHES, STRAINING THEIR EYES OUT TO SEA! SOON THE JAP FLEET WOULD UNDERSTAND WHAT HAD HAPPENED AND WOULD BEGIN BLASTING THE ISLAND! WHERE WAS THE SUB?
IT'S PAST TIME...
WHERE IS IT?

THE JAP FLEET'S GOT WISE! THIS IS IT, FELLOWS! I GUESS THE SUB DIDN'T MAKE IT!
WAIT! THERE'S SOMETHING MOVING OUT THERE..


HURRY UP, YOU GUYS! A GUY COULD GET HURT AROUND HERE!
ARE WE GLAD TO SEE YOU!


AS THEY BOARDED THE SUB, THE ISLAND WAS ROCKING IN A SEA OF FLAMES!
GOOD JOB, MEN! THE FLEET SLIPPED BY UNSEEN...THERE WAS SO MUCH CONFUSION OUT THERE! WHY WERE THE JAPS FIRING AT THEIR OWN SHIP?
I'LL TELL YOU, SIR! WE'RE LUCKY A CERTAIN JAPANESE CAME TO THE U.S.A. AND HIS BOY GREW UP AN AMERICAN CITIZEN!
THE END

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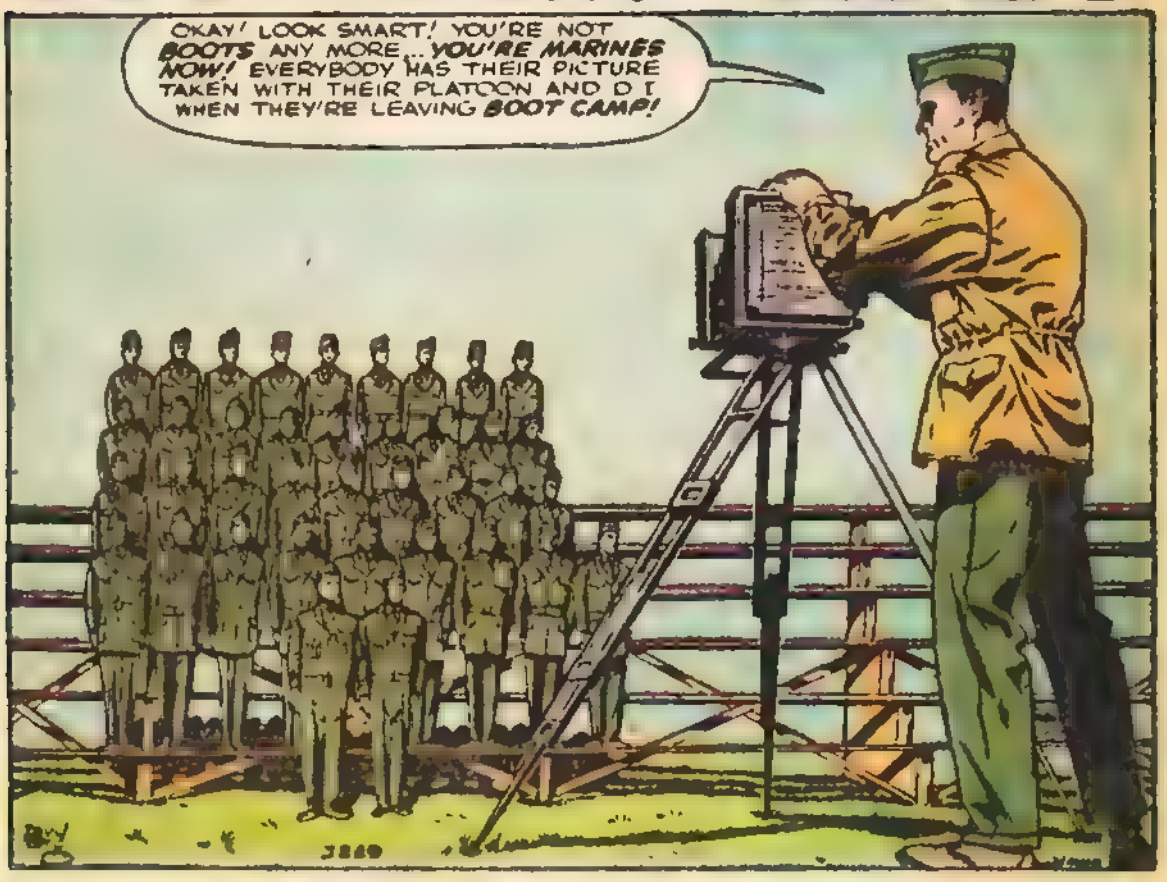
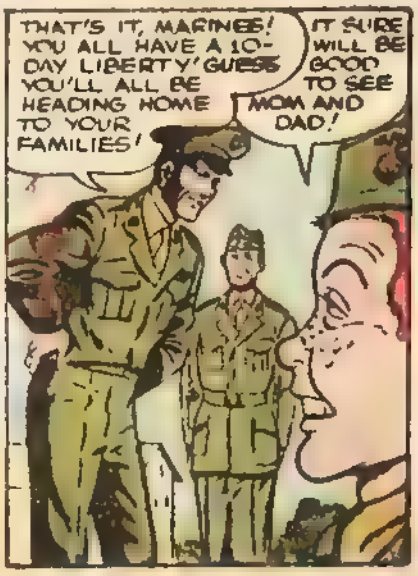


"ONE FOR ALL... AND ALL FOR ONE!"

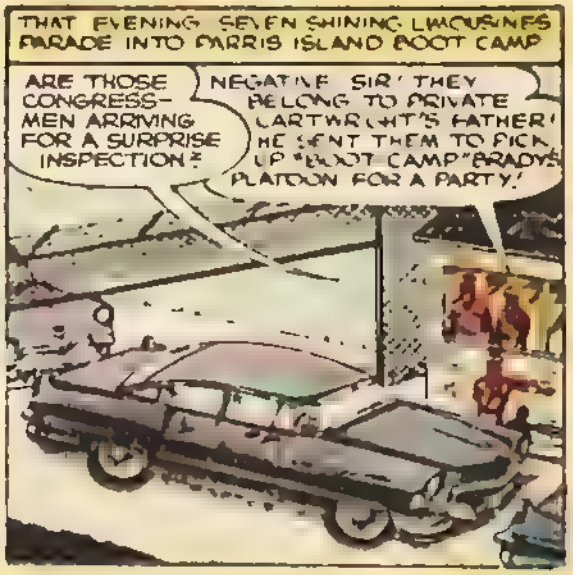


OH, YES, HE HAS!
HUH?

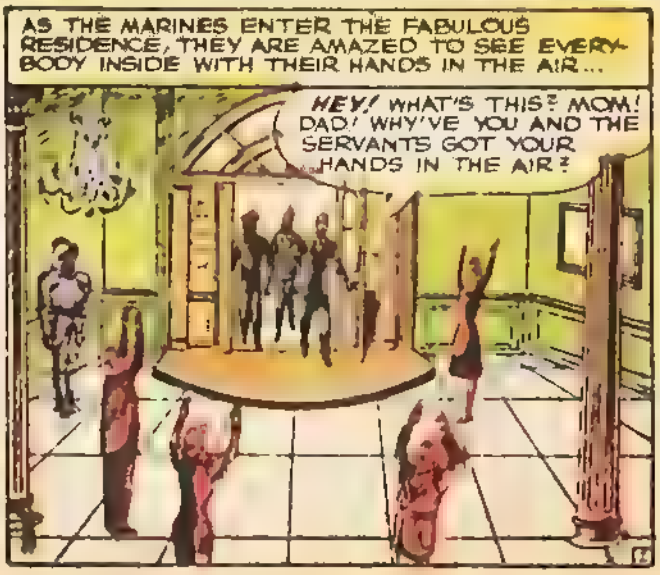
BUCK, MY FOLKS HAVE AN EXTRA ROOM BACK HOME! YOU'RE WELCOME TO SPEND YOUR LIBERTY WITH US!
YOU MEAN THAT, AFTER ALL I'VE DONE TO YOU THRU BOOT TRAINING?

WE'RE BOTH MARINES, BUCK... AND IN THE CORPS, IT'S ONE FOR ALL AND ALL FOR ONE!
OKAY, "BOOT-CAMP" I'LL GO WITH YOU!

HEY! LISTEN TO THIS TELEGRAM I JUST GOT FROM MOM AND DAD!
THEY'RE INVITIN' ALL HIS MARINE FRIENDS TO A PARTY TONIGHT!


THAT EVENING SEVEN SHINING LIMOUSINES PARADE INTO PARRIS ISLAND BOOT CAMP
ARE THOSE CONGRESS-MEN ARRIVING FOR A SURPRISE INSPECTION?
NEGATIVE SIR! THEY BELONG TO PRIVATE CARTWRIGHT'S FATHER! HE SENT THEM TO PICK UP "BOOT CAMP" BRADY'S PLATOON FOR A PARTY!

AN HOUR LATER, THE LIMOUSINES PULL IN FRONT OF A LARGE HOME...
THIS PLACE IS BIGGER THAN OUR BARRACKS!
MOM AND DAD BOUGHT IT JUST SO THEY COULD BE NEAR THE CAMP WHILE I WAS IN BOOT TRAINING!


AS THE MARINES ENTER THE FABULOUS RESIDENCE, THEY ARE AMAZED TO SEE EVERYBODY INSIDE WITH THEIR HANDS IN THE AIR...
HEY! WHAT'S THIS? MOM! DAD! WHY'VE YOU AND THE SERVANTS GOT YOUR HANDS IN THE AIR?

BECAUSE THAT IS THE CUSTOM WHEN A JOINT IS BEING HELD UP!
YEAH! AN' THAT GOES FOR ALL OF YOU TIN SOLDIERS, TOO!

HERE'S ONE SOLDIER THAT'S SOLID STEEL!

LET'S GO! GO! GO! GYRENES, THIS IS YOUR FIRST BATTLE! ONE FOR ALL AND ALL FOR ONE!

"BOOT-CAMP" BRADY'S COMMAND SENDS THE PLATOON CHARGING INTO THE HOLD-UP MEN!
HEY, "BOOT-CAMP" BRADY! HERE'S THE TRICK YOU TAUGHT ME DURING JUDO TRAINING!
AND THIS ONE I LEARNED FROM YOU DURING THE BOXING SESSIONS!

TEN MINUTES LATER, NOT ONE OF THE THUGS IS LEFT STANDING UP...
JENKINS, CALL THE POLICE TO TAKE AWAY THESE HOOLIGANS!
YES, MADAM!

JEFF, MY BOY, YOUR MOTHER AND I WATCHED THE WAY YOU HANDLED YOURSELF, AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF YOU!
THIS IS THE MAN TO THANK... "BOOT-CAMP" BRADY, THE GYRENE WHO MAKES BOYS INTO MEN AND MEN INTO MARINES!
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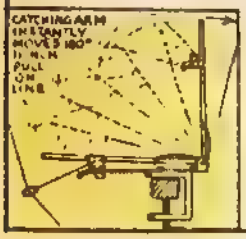

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[illegible] LAZY TO EVEN SHOOT YOUR OWN WAY IN!

YOU'RE THE HERO TYPE BIRCH! I FIGURE I'LL LET YOU TAKE THE GLORY!

[illegible]'S ALWAYS BEEN LAZY! NEVER DID [illegible] HE COULD GET SOMEBODY ELSE [illegible] ALWAYS TOOK THE EASY WAY OUT!

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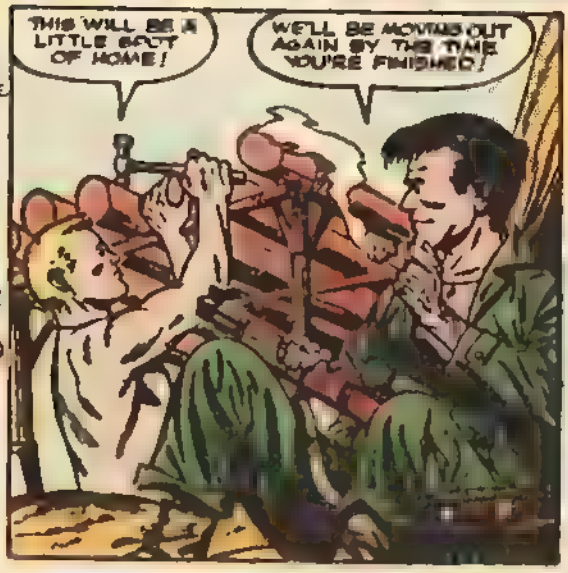
THEY DUG IN ON THE HILL; BIRCH, THE INDUSTRIOUS ONE, WORKED HARD AT FIXING UP HIS DUGOUT!



YOU WOULDN'T GIVE A MAN THE TIME OF DAY! I'M COMING IN AND DRAG YOU RIGHT OFF THAT BUNK!
COME AHEAD! YOU'VE ASKED FOR THIS!

OUT! THE REDS ARE COUNTER-ATTACKING!

MAJOR OUR COMMUNICATION WIRES ARE CUT!
BIRCH I'VE GOT A JOB FOR YOU! WE'RE SURROUNDED BY A HEAVY FORCE! THERE'S A DIVISION OF MARINES TO THE NORTH! TAKE A PATROL AND GET THROUGH TO THEM! YOU'LL BE SEEN LEAVING, SO YOUR ONLY WAY IS TO BULL THROUGH!
YES SIR!

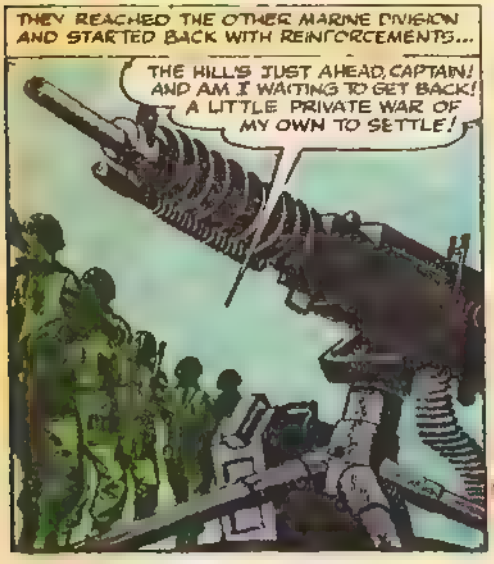
BIRCH PICKED HIS MEN AND THEY STARTED OFF!
THEY'LL MASS UP TO STOP US, SO WE FORM IN A V AND SMASH THROUGH! JUST FOLLOW ME!

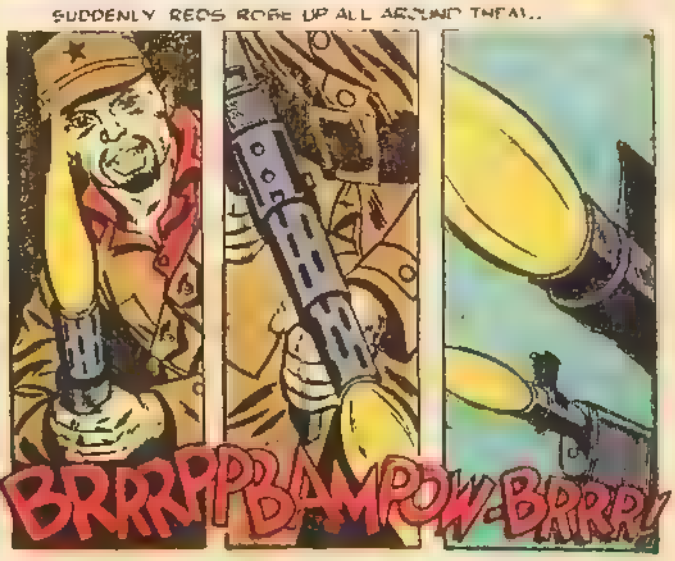
JUST BEFORE THEY REACHED THE FOLIAGE BELOW, BIRCH LOOKED BACK AND SAW

AS SOON AS I LEAVE, THAT LAZY CALLEN IS TAKING OVER MY DUGOUT!
HOLD IT, BIRCH! YOU CAN'T GO BACK NOW! WE'VE GOT A JOB TO DO!

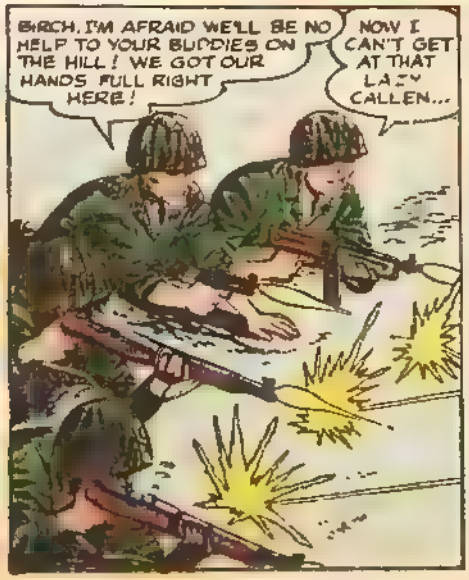
THERE ARE THE REDS.. WAITING!
THEY'LL EXPECT US TO TRY AND CIRCLE THEM! SO WE PLUNGE IN LIKE I SAID.. LET'S GO!

THEY SLAMMED THROUGH THE REDS AND WERE ON THEIR WAY!
THAT CALLEN. WAIT'LL I GET MY HANDS ON HIM! LAZY CHARACTER TAKING OVER MY DUGOUT!

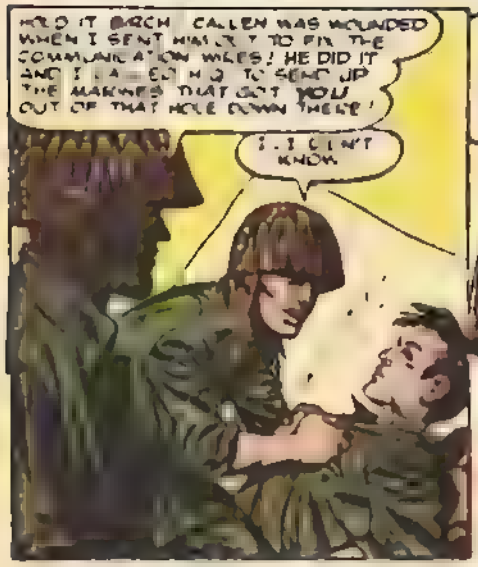

THEY REACHED THE OTHER MARINE DIVISION AND STARTED BACK WITH REINFORCEMENTS...
THE HILL'S JUST AHEAD, CAPTAIN! AND AM I WAITING TO GET BACK! A LITTLE PRIVATE WAR OF MY OWN TO SETTLE!

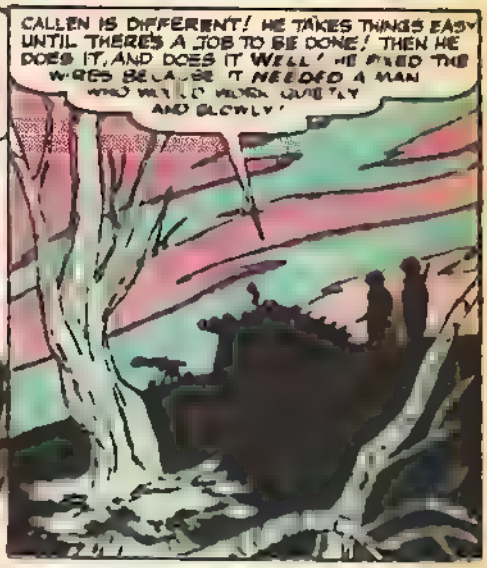

SUDDENLY REDS ROSE UP ALL AROUND THEM..
BRRRPP BAMPOW-BRRR!

TAKE COVER! THEY'VE GOT US PINNED DOWN!


BIRCH, I'M AFRAID WE'LL BE NO HELP TO YOUR BUDDIES ON THE HILL! WE GOT OUR HANDS FULL RIGHT HERE!
NOW I CAN'T GET AT THAT LAZY CALLEN...

HEY, LOOK WHO'S HERE! YOUR BUDDIES RESCUED US, BIRCH!
THEY'RE NOT FROM MY COMPANY! I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY CAME FROM... BUT I'M GLAD THEY'RE HERE!





BIRCH AND CALLEN LOOKED AT EACH OTHER TO-DAY SEEING EACH OTHER FOR THE FIRST TIME

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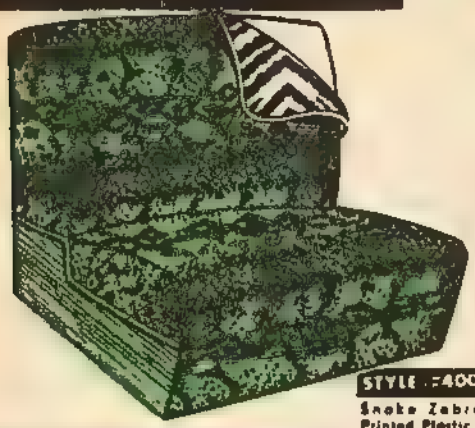

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"We'll bivouac here, off the road, men," he said, and there was a hint of suppressed tension in his voice. "They've handed us something special, but they'll give us a chance to fill our stomachs before we do." He grinned and there were answering grins from all along the mounted ranks. "Be as silent as you can," he said. "The enemy have snipers all through this area. If everything goes well their main base will be cleared out by tonight. Inspect your weapons after you've chowed and water your horses." He wheeled on his own horse and disappeared down the line.

Dick and Jim dismounted, leading their steeds off the road. Within minutes well-shielded campfires were blazing, only dry twigs being used to cut down the chance of smoke being seen. In between mouthfuls of ration they curried their horses, inspected their arms and looked to the rest of their gear.

Jim glanced up from his last mouthful, and grinned.

"Well, you're taking it pretty calmly," he said to Dick.

Dick shrugged.

"Why not?" he said. "I figure there won't be much danger. There can't be. You don't think they'd let a man as important as the Colonel stick his head into anything really big, do you?"

Jim chuckled.

"That's just the point. In a way you're right . . . but the Colonel's main problem has been getting them to really let us see tough action!"

Dick grunted.

"We'll see," he said grudgingly.

They both went down with the rest of the men to a small stream and brought back water in small canvas watering bags for the horses.

A moment later a bugle sounded.

Every man in the troop sprang to his horse and the cavalcade clattered back onto the road. The guns had all passed by now and from up ahead sounded a continuous and growing sound of artillery fire. Couriers dashed up and down the line carrying orders from the Colonel to the brigade leaders.

Now the ground that had been growing more rocky and tumbled, became hilly. Small valleys appeared almost out of nowhere. Snipers on the crests of the small hills fired at the moving columns and bullets began zipping uncomfortably close. An order came back from the Colonel to deploy off the road and advance behind cover. Like a machine the whole col-

umn wheeled and disappeared. Now, up ahead, even the cover was thinning and the sound of firing grew in volume. Shells began bursting overhead, raining down shrapnel, but they were not directed at the column . . . they were enemy fire beyond range.

Minutes later the forest cover had all but disappeared. The riders splashed through a series of small streams and then emerged onto a rising road and debouched in turn upon a wide plain.

Dick, riding next to Jim gasped as his horse topped the rise.

In front of them lay a battlefield, and beyond a series of hills. One of them was heavily fortified and the enemy flag was flying over its summit. Rank on rank of artillery thundered out blasting volleys from right to left, while the enemy replied more weakly but still with effectiveness. Infantry fighting had been engaged but it was indecisive; stubbornly the enemy clung to his positions on the side and top of the hill.

"Looks like it's up to us," Dick said in a low voice.

"That's what the Colonel thinks, too," Jim said quietly.

The column halted. From where they sat in the saddle they could see the Colonel ride out to the very front of the mounted line. He said nothing, for a moment.

Like a great cry the bugle rang out once more. Its notes set the blood of every man a-tingle, and now the Colonel's voice echoed its stirring message.

"Charge!" He cried.

The Colonel's sword leaped from its scabbard in one dazzling motion. Instantly his horse had dashed forward followed by the colors and he was a quarter of the way across the rising slope that led to the hill before his troops could free their own weapons and follow him into the storm of heavy gunfire.

Dick stared in astonishment for a second or two; then he grinned and cried: "Bully for you too, Colonel!" With the rest he plunged forward, his sword wheeling in a sweeping circle, his eyes on the Stars and Stripes, and the distant ranks of the enemy up the hill.

On the Rough Riders swept, led by the man who had resigned the post of Assistant Secretary of the Navy to organize and lead them. On they swept to victory against shot and shell, up San Juan Hill, following their Colonel, Theodore Roosevelt.

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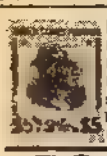

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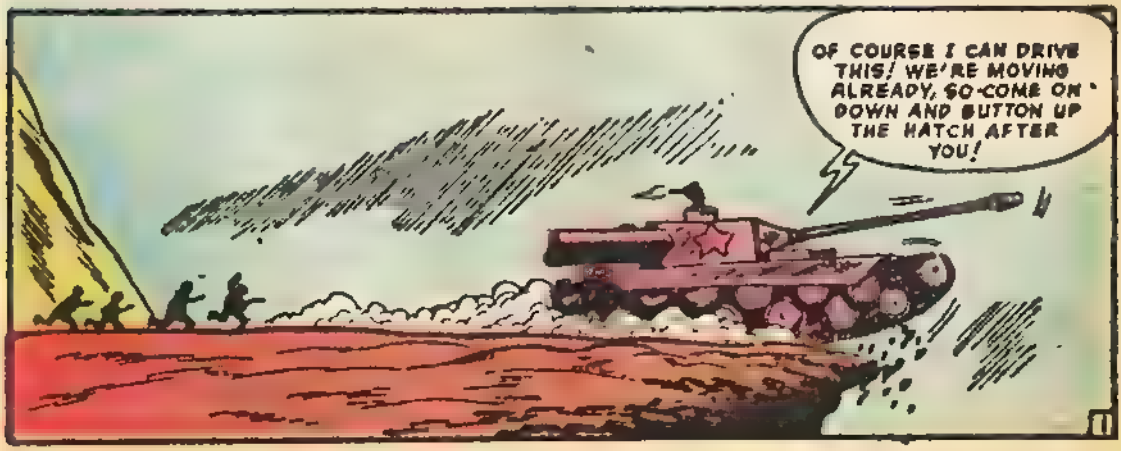
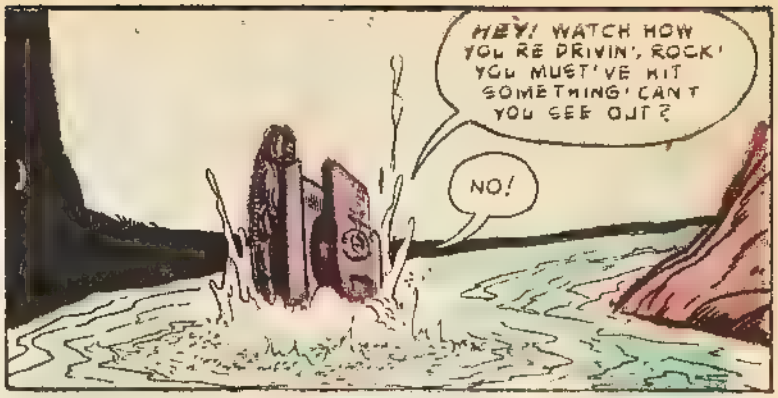
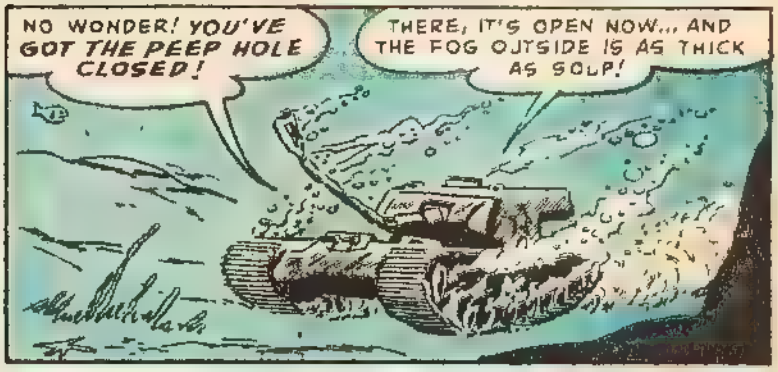
AYE, ROCK! BUT ARE YOU SURE YOU KNOW HOW TO MAKE THIS HEAP OF PIG-IRON SHOVE OFF?

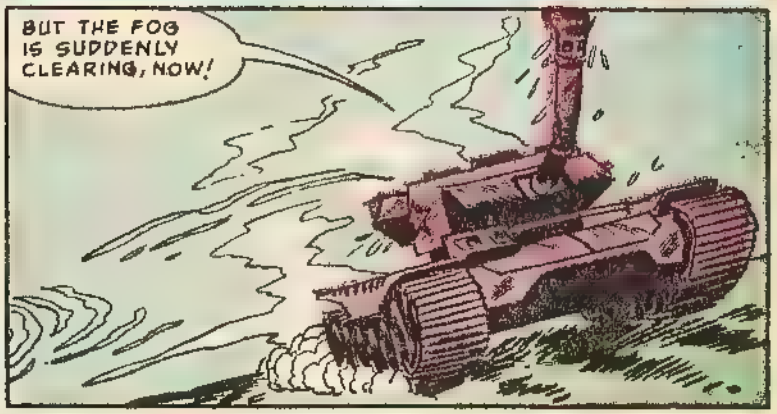
MARINE ACTION BUSTS OUT IN COMMIE-LAND WHEN THOSE TWO GYRENES, "ROCK" MURDOCK AND HIS BUDDY "SCUTTLEBUTT" STACY... RAID THE REDS!

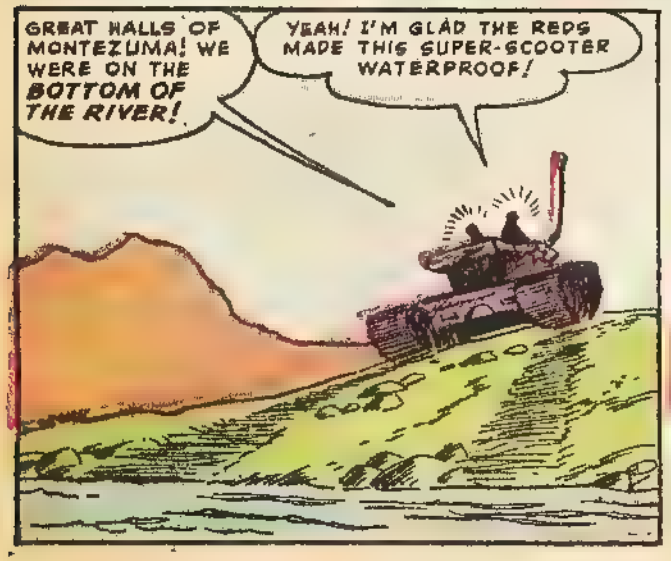


THIS TANK RIDES SO SMOOTH YOU'D THINK WE WERE CRAWLIN' ON AIR, HUH?


HEY! WATCH HOW YOU RE DRIVIN', ROCK! YOU MUST'VE HIT SOMETHING! CAN'T YOU SEE OUT?
NO!


NO WONDER! YOU'VE GOT THE PEEP HOLE CLOSED!
THERE, IT'S OPEN NOW... AND THE FOG OUTSIDE IS AS THICK AS SOUP!

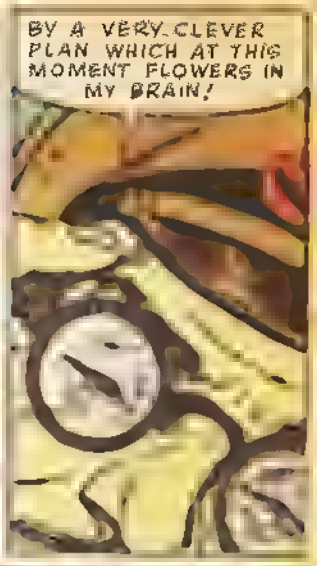

BUT THE FOG IS SUDDENLY CLEARING, NOW!


GREAT HALLS OF MONTEZUMA! WE WERE ON THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER!
YEAH! I'M GLAD THE REDS MADE THIS SUPER-SCOOTER WATERPROOF!

OBSERVE WHAT THOSE TWO HAVE DONE TO THE MODEL OF OUR SUPER TANK!
MY ANTI-TANK GUN WILL MAKE SURE THEY WILL DO NO MORE DAMAGE, COMRADE COLONEL!

NO!

IT TOOK US FIVE YEARS TO BUILD THAT MODEL... AND WE MU


BY A VERY CLEVER PLAN WHICH AT THIS MOMENT FLOWERS IN MY BRAIN!

WE'LL GET A MEDAL WHEN WE GET THIS SUPER-CAN BACK TO THE U.N. BIG BRASS!
AYE, BUT FIRST WE'VE GOT TO GET IT THERE ALL IN ONE

DO NOT FIRE ON IT... THIS BLOCKADE WILL STOP IT!

OBSERVE! THE TANK CLIMBS THE BARRICADE LIKE A CAT!

QUICKLY! RADIO TO THE NEXT ROAD PATROL TO DIG A TANK TRAP!
DITCH BIG ENOUGH TO SWALLOW EVEN THE SUPER-

FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER, THE TWO GYRENES APPROACHED A TANK-TRAP CARVED IN THE ROAD BY A COMMIE BULL-DOZER...
THINK THAT'LL STOP US, ROCK?
THIS TANK'S BEEN SUPER SO FAR...MAYBE IT'LL KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
NA! THE TANK HAS FALLEN INTO THE TRAP, FROM WHICH NO TANK CAN ESCAPE!
NOT SO! IT IS CRAWLING OUT!
UNBELIEVABLE! I MUST NOTIFY COMRADE MING AT ONCE!
...AND THE TANK IS NOW MOVING TOWARD THE AMERICAN FRONT!
NOTIFY ALL OUR UNITS THAT THE SUPER-TANK MUST BE DESTROYED!
OH-OH, SCUTTLEBUTT! THERE ARE FOUR COMMIE TANKS ZEROING IN ON US! AND OUR BIG GUN IS USELESS!
THE COMMIE TANK SQUADRON FIRED! THE GROUND SHOOK! THE SHELLS SCREAMED AS THEY TORE THRU THE AIR TOWARD THE SUPER-TANK!
NA! ALL OUR SHELLS HAVE HIT THE TANK!

THIS BATTLEFIELD BUGGY IS SUPER, ROCK! THE RED SHELLS ARE CLOBBERING US AND WE'RE STILL MOVING!
YEAH! NOTHING CAN DESTROY IT!

THE TANK IS INDESTRUCTIBLE! OUR SHELLS ARE HARMLESS AGAINST IT, AND THEY ARE GETTING AWAY!
THEY APPROACH A MINE FIELD! THAT WILL RIP OFF THE TANK'S TREADS AND STOP IT!

THE SUPER TANK BEGAN TO DANCE TO THE TUNE OF EXPLODING MINES AS SOON AS IT STEPPED ON THE MINE FIELD...

AND NOW AMERICAN TERRITORY!

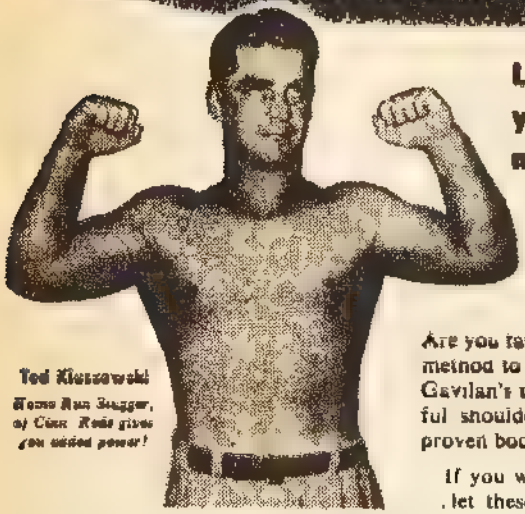
HERE IT IS, CAP'N... THE REDS' SUPER-

RUMBLE RUMBLE

IF THAT'S THE RED SUPER-TANK, THEN WE HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT! NOW WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO TELL ME ABOUT THAT PILE OF JUNK?
YEAH!

WE'LL RIPPLE YOUR BODY WITH MUSCLES and LOAD T·N·T IN YOUR FISTS

Say JOE LOUIS and TED KLUSZEWSKI



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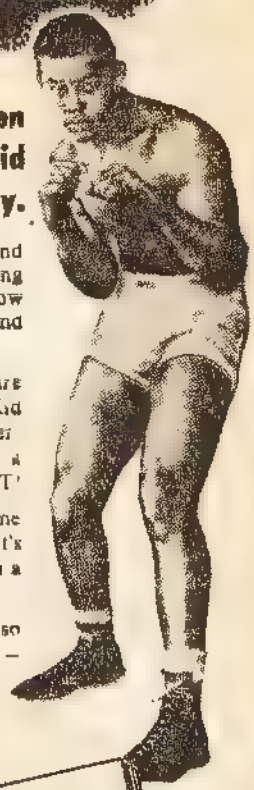

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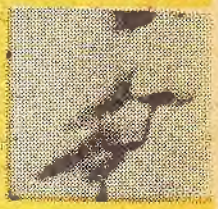

AFTER

Same girl had used KERAPLEX twice a day for only 5 days when above photo was taken. Note the amazing improvement.

BEFORE

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AFTER

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